## **Amy Lacy**

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To: Amy Lacy

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To whom it may concern,

I have lived in Zionsville since I was eight years old. My family sought out this town because of its character and community. After college I moved away and lived in Chicago for several years. After having children and deciding to move back to Indiana, I swore I "wouldn't move home again." Yet, after spending time looking all over Indianapolis and the surrounding suburbs, my husband and I both realized that Zionsville was 100% what we were looking for. As nice as other suburbs are, they do not have the character or community of Zionsville. The charm and history make it unique. We are unique. We hope our children will value individuality, and want their community to reflect that. We bought a home in the village eight years ago, now have three children, and still feel 100% confident in our choice. We have a "new" home by village standards- it was built 20 years ago. I am not opposed to new development, but NOT at the cost of our historic character. Trends change, and I hope the village can continue to reflect a diversity of the eras it has lived through. But in order to preserve this unique town for the future, the history has to be a priority in addition to the present. Please support the creation of a committee to create exactly the type of historic or preservation district this town needs to keep it a beautiful, diverse, and thought-provoking place to live. I feel confident that this can be done in a balanced way that will address any concerns or (mostly) fears that people have. It is time to move forward with this initiative.

Thank you for your time and consideration of the needs of this town and community, Lyndsay Gilman